

FIRST BODY
RECOVEREDEarly To-day From Explosion
Ruins in Providence

FIVE LIVES WERE LOST

A. L. G. Chase Was Just Entering the
Starch Mill of C. S. Tanner Last
Night, When the Explosion
Came.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 13.—The first body was taken from the smoking ruins of the C. S. Tanner starch mill this morning. It was that of A. L. G. Chase, an East Providence ship chandler, who was called to the plant by business just before the explosion that cost five lives last night. On account of the fire that burned all through the night, a systematic search for the bodies was not begun until to-day. Chase's body was found under the ruins of fallen walls. He was evidently caught in the street as he was about to enter the building. The names of the four workmen, supposed to have been under the ruins, are Michael Joseph, Richard Gonçalves, Joseph Duatt and Tony Silva.

Of the four who were injured by falling walls on the street outside, John Smith, a negro, may not recover. The others are resting comfortably. Through confusion in names, it was at first reported that six persons met death in the explosion.

The cause of the disaster is still unknown. It may have occurred from an accident in the starch oven.

The building was a three-story brick affair, located at South Water and Silver streets, and four of the dead men were employed by the Tanner concern. The loss was about \$100,000.

Charles S. Tanner, his son, Milton Tanner, Walter Low and Miss Laura Chaplin, bookkeeper, who were in the office on the first floor of the building, escaped death by crawling out of the office on their hands and knees by way of a side door.

A moment after the explosion, which came without warning, a draught of smoke and flame came down into the office, almost suffocating the occupants. With rare presence of mind, they groped their way out by crawling on the floor.

First Workman to Appear.

John Smith was the first workman to appear outside the building after the explosion. He had crawled out of a side door and he was badly burned. Mr. Tanner found him lying on the ground, buried under bricks and mortar. He said that, to his knowledge, the other workmen were still in the building, trapped under the ruins. Johnston and Clark soon afterward appeared, covered with dirt and suffering from burns. They were removed in ambulances to the hospital.

The second explosion occurred shortly after the firemen reached the building, and covered them with starch and gum. The fumes drove them back out and again, and a third explosion was feared.

A. L. G. Chase, proprietor of the Knickerbocker company, who was 68 years old, was in the building with three customers when the explosion occurred. His horse and buggy were standing in the rear of the shop, ready for his departure for home at 5 o'clock. He was well off financially, had a large house and leaves a widow and six children.

Soon after the firemen set to work they found the body of his dead horse, and the buggy broken into splinters, and it is believed that the old man's body lies under the ruins of his building.

Which was crushed to the ground by the falling roof and afterward caught fire. The three men rushed out of the office and escaped injury.

The five Portuguese workmen who were trapped in the building all have families living near the factory. They were recorded on the payroll only by their first names, and it was with considerable difficulty that their families were located. Then the wives and children hurried to the scene and begged the firemen to hurry in their work of digging up the ruins. They stood crying and moaning, while friends and neighbors attempted to comfort them in their sorrow.

WAS SOLELY DRAWN
IN WALL ST'S FAVORIs Charge Made by Alfred O. Crozier
To-day in the Senate—Petition
Against Aldrich Financial
Bill.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 13.—Alleging that the Aldrich financial bill was drawn solely in the interests of Wall street and that it put in the hands of Morgan, Rockefeller and Ryan the power to create panics and contract or expand the currency of the country to the extent of \$100,000,000 or more at pleasure, Alfred O. Crozier of Wilmington, Del., in a sensational petition to the Senate today demanded the defeat of the bill. The petition was presented with a few characteristic remarks by Senator Tillman.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK TRAIN.
A Tie and Pile of Stones Placed in Front
of New York-Chicago Express.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 13.—An attempt to wreck the New York-Chicago express of Baltimore & Ohio railroad was made yesterday. A tie and pile of stones were placed on the track, but discovered by the section boss who removed them just before the train passed. Steve Vargo and John Metro were arrested near the scene.

HUGHES TOASTED.
Another Banquet in His Honor in New
York Last Night.

New York, Feb. 13.—With Governor Hughes as their chief guest of honor three Republican organizations in the greater city celebrated Lincoln's birthday last evening by dinners of more than ordinary interest by reason not only of the governor's presence, but because of the importance attached to this stage of the preliminary political skirmish to any political utterances by him or in his behalf. Governor Hughes began his round of speeches by attending the twenty-second annual Lincoln dinner of the Republican club of the city of New York at the Waldorf-Astoria to which he was enthusiastically welcomed and at which his comparatively brief address was listened to with marked interest and interrupted by frequent applause. A spirited defense of President Roosevelt by John Maynard Martin of Chicago was another feature of this dinner, at which also considerable attention was attracted by the felicitous eulogy of Abraham Lincoln by the Democratic congressman from Texas, Representative Morris Sheppard. Governor Augustus Willson of Kentucky also spoke briefly.

THREE AUTOS
GIVE IT UP
Snow Too Much For Them at
Outset of 22,000 Mile Run

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 13.—The Albany Auto club received word this morning that three of the six New York-to-Paris racers turned back after leaving Hudson today and gave up the trip, saying that the roads were too bad. They are now going back to New York. The other three are supposed to be on the way home, but had not been reported up to 11:30.

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OPPOSED TO SALOON,
ALSO LOCAL OPTION LAWVarious Speakers at Meeting Held Last
Evening in the Hedding Methodist
Church for No-License.

The temperance rally held at Hedding Methodist church last evening under the auspices of the young peoples' societies of the city and of the Good Templars, was attended by a large audience who listened with interest to the various speakers of the evening. Sheldon S. Smith acted as chairman of the meeting and special music was given by the choir, including solos by Mrs. W. S. Bassett and a duet by Miss Jeannette Williams and Mrs. Bralley.

City Judge H. W. Scott was the first speaker of the evening, and he spoke of the various disadvantages of the present license law as compared with the condition of the state and city under prohibition. Judge Scott said that it would require the sale of \$150,000 worth of liquor to pay the expenses of the license in the city of Barre alone, and of this amount less than one-seventh was gained by the city as a direct revenue from the licenses.

Prof. O. K. Hollister of Goddard seminary spoke of the effects of liquor upon the individual and stated that the remedy for these terrible effects was to vote "no," that the saloons had proved failures in Vermont, and that the local option law did not work so well in practice as in theory.

Judge C. M. Welch, the next speaker, said that the trouble was not that there were too many saloons, but that the present laws were not enforced. Mr. Welch quoted figures in regard to arrests in the different cities under license law and said that the number of arrests for intoxication under license averaged nearly four times as many under license as under no license.

Earl M. Lewis was the next to speak, and he spoke briefly of the various effects of liquor in its different phases. Dr. E. Thayer spoke of the relations of the liquor traffic to the church, and said that the saloon was associated with all that was lowest and meanest in the world and that the saloons were a very hot-bed of sin, more than 70 per cent. of the crimes that are committed being directly traceable to the influence of liquor, according to the reports of the penal institutions of the country.

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WILD GOOSE
CHASE HELDMassachusetts Officers Came
to Barre For Desperado

Suspect Was Not the Man

Description Talled Somewhat, However,
With That of the Man Who Shot
Up Lexington and Woburn,
Mass., Recently.

On suspicion that the third member of the gang of desperados who shot up Lexington and Woburn, Mass., on the evening of February 6 was working on the quarries at Graniteville, Chief of Police C. McDermott of Woburn and Inspector Murley of Boston arrived in this city last night and this morning went to Graniteville, where they were shown a man, a Poleander, who applied for work yesterday morning at the Wetmore & Morse quarries and who answered very closely to the description sent out of the man wanted in Woburn.

When the officers saw the man, however, they decided he was not the right one and they left on the noon train to-day for Boston.

A gang of three desperados held up two men in Burlington, Mass., on the evening of February 6, and the Woburn police were notified. The policemen discovered three suspects in Woburn, who opened fire on the officers when they saw they were discovered. Two of the officers were severely wounded and later the gang fired and wounded another man in Lexington. Two of the gang were captured the following day in Arlington, but the third one escaped.

An accurate description of the man was furnished to Chief McDermott and his name is said to be Chris Seltin. The description was sent to all the large cities in New England.

A workman at the Wetmore & Morse quarry thought he recognized a likeness to the description in the man who went to work on the quarry yesterday morning, and he sent word to Chief McDermott at Woburn. Seltin, the man wanted, is described as 35 years old, 5 feet 6½ inches in height, and weighing about 140 pounds. He had a smooth face with a small scar, and he has worn a light mustache, which he shaved off the following day after the shooting. His complexion was medium and he wore a mixed gray suit with a soft black hat.

Just a Century Old Is
So. Woodstock Woman

Mrs. Free Love Elizabeth Douglas Mace
Has a Good Memory, Although
Other Faculties Are Im-
paired.

South Woodstock, Feb. 13.—Mrs. Free Love Elizabeth Douglas Mace was 100 years old to-day. She received calls from her relatives and friends, but no effort was made to formally celebrate the anniversary.

Mrs. Mace was born at Grantham, N. H., Feb. 13, 1808, being the eldest of six children of John and Melibeth Elliott Douglas. None of her brothers and sisters are living. She lived one life-long resident of Concord, having died last December. Her early life was spent in New York state and she remembers distinctly making the trip, an ox team being used to transport the family.

She was married at Hartland, Vt., Dec. 1, 1828, to Nathan Mace of Massachusetts. Of her six children only one is living. Her husband died in 1867. After her husband's death she made her home with her brother, William Douglas, with whom she lived thirty years.

In May, 1906, she came to this village to visit her grandsons, Fred and Edwin Clark, and has never been able to return to Concord. While living in Concord she was very active nursing while her health permitted and in later years making rugs and doing much knitting. She was always an industrious woman and at the time of her marriage carded, spun and wove the material for her wedding outfit.

Since coming to this village she has been confined to her bed most of the time, sitting up only for short periods and being unable to walk. Her sight and hearing are quite impaired, but her memory is excellent. She is always cheerful and sees the bright side of life. She has nine grandchildren and six great grandchildren living.

BRIDGE COLLAPSED ON MAN.
James Rogers Painfully Injured in Accident Near Middlebury.

Middlebury, Feb. 13.—Yesterday forenoon there was an accident near the lower pulp mill, four miles north of here, where the towns of Weybridge and New Haven are putting an iron bridge across the river at Huntington's falls. James Rogers and two other men were engaged in removing the old wooden bridge and Mr. Rogers was chopping a timber at the top when the whole structure collapsed in the middle and fell on the top of the men. Mr. Rogers was killed and the other two were injured.

Mr. Rogers was born in Lebanon, N. H., Aug. 5, 1830, the son of Amos and Hephzibah (Hoffman) Rogers. When a young man he was superintendent of a woolen mill in East Bethel. He married Bessie M. Paul of that town in 1856. One son, the late Louis D. Rogers, was born to them and a few months later Mrs. Rogers died.

Mrs. Rogers was director of the People's national bank, a trustee of the Vermont savings bank, president of the Prospect Hill cemetery association, a Mason, Odd Fellow, member of the Selwick post, the Congregational church, the board of trade and was an ex-president of the Vermont pharmaceutical association.

TO MEET IN ST. ALBANS.
Annual Session of C. O. F. Will Be Held
in August, 1908.

St. Albans, Feb. 13.—The annual meeting of the state order, Catholic Order of Foresters, will be held in St. Albans the second Tuesday in August. A public banquet will probably be held, although no plans are yet definitely settled.

The E. L. Chandler Co., Barton Landing, reports that prospects indicate that will start some branches of its industry about March 1.

LANE MENTIONED.
For Aldermanic Nomination in the Second Ward Caucus.

At the regular caucus of the Socialist party of Barre, held in the Wheelock building last evening, Alexander Ironside was nominated as a candidate for mayor in the forthcoming municipal election and John L. Purdy was nominated for assessor for three years. It is also understood that A. L. Cassiani will be a candidate for alderman in the fourth ward, which makes a possibility of four candidates in that ward. All the Socialist candidates are members of the granite cutters' union.

The caucus was presided over by William Jones and John Carson acted as treasurer. The meeting was largely attended and considerable enthusiasm was manifested over the coming election.

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